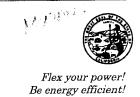
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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Mr. Leslie T. Rogers Regional Administrator Federal Transit Administration 201 Mission Street, Suite 2210 San Francisco, CA 94105

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am forwarding the Kern Council of Governments' (KCOG) Administrative Amendment No. 9, which makes technical adjustment to project (KER 010808) in their 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). This amendment does not affect air quality conformity, timely implementation of Transportation Control Measures (TCM's), or financial constraints and does not result in major scope change.

This project is included and submitted by KCOG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS). Caltrans concerns, if any, are reflected in the "Caltrans comment" section of the FTIP Project Data Entry screen in CTIPS project by project.

Since administrative amendments do not require Federal Highway Administration and/or Federal Transit Administration approval, this FTIP amendment has been amended into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP).

All other changes to projects in this amendment are not part of this approval since these changes add new projects to the 2002/03- 2004/05 FTIP. Per FHWA/FTA's requirement these changes to the FTIP will be approved only after KCOG provide sufficient information to demonstrate financial constraint of KCOG's FTIP. Therefore, the state will withhold approval of these changes until KCOG demonstrate financial constaraint.

Please address any questions on this amendment to Muhaned Aljabiry of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

Rachel Falsetti, Chief

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